

PROCLAMATION COMMUNITY ACTION AWARENESS MONTH May 2004

WHEREAS, the North Dakota Community Action Association has seven agencies working statewide to help low-income North Dakotans break the cycle of poverty and achieve self-sufficiency; and

WHEREAS, community action agencies have been serving low-income families in every county in North Dakota for more than 30 years; and

WHEREAS, community action agencies provide numerous services to low-income North Dakotans, including Head Start, housing and emergency assistance, child and adult care food programs, energy assistance programs, prevention programs, childcare, and many others; and

WHEREAS, community action agencies, in partnership with the public and private sector, continue to identify poverty conditions and find solutions for helping people and changing lives; and

WHEREAS, this year marks the 40th anniversary of the Economic Opportunity Act, a federal legislative act establishing the basic foundation for community action agencies nationwide; and

NOW, THEREFORE, as the Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim May 2004, **COMMUNITY ACTION AWARENESS MONTH** in the state of North Dakota.

/s/ John Hoeven Governor

Attest:

/s/ Alvin A. Jaeger Secretary of State